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SUBJECT: DRAFT LAW FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ENERGY COMMISSION
FOR ITALY

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND TRADE, THE DONAT CATTIN
(CHRISTIAN DEMOCRAT) HAS DRAFTED A LAW FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT
OF AN ENERGY COMMISSION FOR ITALY. THE FIVE ARTICLES OF THE DRAFT
LAW THAT DEFINE ITS INTENDED FUNCTIONS ARE;

1. SUPERVISION OF THE NATIONAL ENERGY POLICY.
2. AUTHORIZE THE SELECTION AND NOMINATION OF THE PRESIDENT
AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CNEN, ENEL AND ENI - AS
WELL AS THEIR REMOVAL.
3. REPLACE THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND TRADE IN THE
PROPOSING TO THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AND CIPE THE
ORGANIZATION AND FINANCING OF CNEN, ENEL AND ENI.
4. DEVELOP PLANS WITH THE MINISTRY OF RESEARCH FOR
RESEARCH PROGRAMS ON ENERGY SOURCES AS WELL AS
AS ADMINSTRATE THE RESEARCH ACTIVITIES OF
CNEN, ENEL AND ENI APPROVED BY CIPE.
5. WITH THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, COORDINATE ALL
FOREIGN LIAISON OF CNEN, ENEL AND ENI IN THE FIELDS
OF FUEL SUPPLIES, ENERGY PRODUCTS AND ENERGY REGULATORY
MATTERS.

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2. THE ENERGY COMMISSIONER WOULD PARTICIPATE - WITHOUT VOTING
PRIVILEGES - AT THE MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS AND
CIPE. HE WOULD REPORT DIRECTLY TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL
OF MINISTERS. END UNCLASSIFIED

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COMMENT: EMBASSY BELIEVES THIS IS AN ACTION AS PROPOSED-
WITHOUT BUDGETING AND TENURE OF APPOINTMENT OF MINISTER DONAT
CATTIN TO REPLACE THE CURRENT HEADS OF CNEN, ENEL AND ENI WITH
PERSONNEL OF HIS OWN SELECTION WITH THEIR IN-BRED DEDICATION TO
HIS POLICIES. END LIMITED OFFICIAL USE VOLPE

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